



# Out and About In Thwaites - February 23 - Issue No 460



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## **Solar Lights Consultation**

The Parish Council wish to thank all the participants who took the time to express their views and thoughts on the potential installation of Solar Lights from Green Road Station to the end of Middle Cut.

From this feedback, it is apparent there is overwhelming support for this project and there are a number of key areas the PC need to develop in producing a specification that meets locals needs.

Key areas from the feedback include:

1. **Consider lighting locations taking account of Green Road Station existing available lights**
2. **Address a number technical issues relating to the reliability and consistency of the solar lights**
3. **Ensure all costs are understood for the lifetime installation of the lights**

A working group is now reviewing the consultation feedback and we will continue to communicate further updates as we make progress on this new project.

## **Happy Birthday - Playgroup**



The Thwaites playgroup started 31 January in 2022 and so is now 1 year old. The group has a longer history as some of the parents attended the play group run in the hall by one of the current leaders a generation ago! Amazingly, some of the toys and equipment from that period are still in use although much of the equipment has been donated or purchased from a donation administered by South Copeland Partnership.

There are typically 15 preschool children attending playgroup with their parent(s), grandparents or other relations. The Christmas Party was particularly successful with over 25 children (they are very difficult to count as they do not stay still!).

Please do feel free to come with your child to Thwaites Village Hall on Monday mornings from 10:00 to 12:00 during term time. The charge is £2 per adult + child (and 50p for an extra attendee) which includes a hot drink and biscuit for adults and fruit and a snack for the children. More adult helpers are also welcome to help set out toys and serve snacks. Do come and join us

# News @



## Thwaites Village Hall

### 100 Club Winners

**December 22**

#### Winners

1st £50 no 93 David Foresman

2nd £20 no 54 Cath Sewell

3rd £15 no 96 Stephen  
Wearing

4th £10 no 38 Derick Long

**January 23**

#### Winners

1st £30 no 124 Gail Savage

2nd £15 no 20 Joan Wearing

3rd £10 no 54 Cath Sewell

4th £10 no 39 Marjorie Long



**Community Lunch @  
Thwaites Village Hall**

Soup & dessert, £5 per head.

Arrive for 12 noon.

Anyone willing to help for a couple hours once a month, please contact Jan Procter on 774234.

Please note the next event is on 22nd February 23

**FIRST AID AT WORK COURSE  
FULLY FUNDED BY THWAITES VILLAGE HALL  
THE GREEN  
SATURDAY 4TH MARCH 2023  
9AM TILL 4PM**



**CONTACT MELANIE WRIGHT ON TEL: 07792522517  
FOR FURTHER DETAILS.**

**Please note booking is essential**

# Diary Dates

## Weekly Activities

**Monday's  
TODDLERS GROUP**  
from 10 to 12 (5th,12th Dec and  
Reopen on 9th Jan 23)

**BOWLING** from  
1.30pm to 3.30pm

**SCOUTS** from  
7pm

**Wednesday  
and Thursday  
evenings**

**TABLE TENNIS** is  
from 6pm to 7.30pm  
Cost is £2 per person and all are  
welcome

**FRIDAYS**  
**BAT & CHAT** from 6pm  
**Table Tennis** for Girls & Women

**Friday - FLOW 9.30am - 10,30am -**  
**please note dates:**  
**3rd, 17th,24th Feb 23**

## Key Dates

**Tuesday 24th Feb 23 - WI**



**FRIDAY 10th February**

**CUMBRIA WILDLIFE TRUST**  
**Foulshaw Moss Ospreys**  
Start 7.30pm



**SUNDAYS**

**Table Tennis**  
**Family Session** at 5pm followed  
by  
**League Practice** from 6 to 7pm



## News From The Hill

### 100 Club January Results:

1st prize £50.00 No116 Daisy Parsons  
2nd prize £20.00 No62 Stan Towndrow  
3rd prize £20.00 No115 Mur Cove  
4th prize £20.00 No 27 Nathan Dodd  
5th prize £10.00 No53 Lesley Mallard  
6th prize £10.00 No 38 Sally Gumz  
7th prize £10.00 No78 Nikki Blackhurst

**February Open  
House Saturday  
4th Feb  
5.30pm-7.30pm  
Nibbles  
provided.  
BYOB**

## A warm welcome to our new Parish Councillor - Vikki Pogrell



My family moved to the Green in the 1970s when I was 2 and I grew up here in the community. I latterly moved away, living in both the UK and Australia, before moving back to The Green 10 years ago. I have loved being home in The Green and feel passionately about both protecting and improving our way of life here and the services we have. Since being home I have seen a number of changes within the village, not least a new play park. The improvements are important and have made the village better. It is something I want to be part of and help both protect and enhance this beautiful part of the World we live in





# Green Matters.....

## Free Apple Grafting Course

With a bit of expert guidance, creating your own apple trees through grafting cuttings onto rootstock is surprisingly easy. Whether you are interested in planting traditional local varieties, or would simply like to create your own free tree of a popular modern variety for your garden, it is worth trying your hand at apple grafting. In addition, if you are successful, you will get free apples with no carbon miles for many years to come.

Local sustainability group Sustainable Duddon has arranged an apple grafting course to take place in the village hall at The Hill, on Saturday 4th March. It will run from 10:00 to 12:00. Our tutor is from the South Lakes Orchard Group, so participants will be given expert guidance. Additionally a choice of rootstocks will be available, as well as cuttings from different apple trees grown locally.

The course is funded by the National Lottery Community Fund and is part of the Zero Carbon Cumbria Partnership's ambitious emission reduction programme to make Cumbria carbon neutral by 2037.

Please contact [sustainableduddon@gmail.com](mailto:sustainableduddon@gmail.com) to ask any questions or reserve a place.



**Does this look familiar?**



APPROXIMATELY ½ TONNE OF BUILDING WASTE - IN THE FORM OF BAGS OF CINDER BLOCKS, TILES, AN OLD TOILET – WERE DUMPED IN BLACK BECK IN MID DECEMBER. THE MILCOM WITHOUT ENVIRONMENT GROUP CLEARED THE WASTE FROM THE BECK TO AVOID DEBRIS POLLUTING THE BECK FURTHER. FLY TIPPING IS A CRIMINAL ACTIVITY, AS WELL AS BEING DAMAGING TO THE ENVIRONMENT SO IF YOU RECOGNISE THE WALL PAPER FRAGMENTS ILLUSTRATED BELOW OR ITEMS IN THIS COLLECTION OF WASTE PLEASE LET US KNOW!



# A Call for Litter Pickers



It is that time of year again when the litter deposited at the sides of the roads becomes more prominent. Many residents collect litter when out walking and Millom Without Environment Group are continuing their campaign to purge the verges of the litter blight on our environment. A huge quantity of litter was accumulated last Spring and last month ½ tonne of builders rubble was extracted from Black Beck. This year's tally is already rising, as these photos from the A595 near Broadgate and near The Hill show. Environment Group members will be litter picking along the A595 during February and would welcome extra help. If you can spare an hour or so to join them please contact [oandacontact@gmail.com](mailto:oandacontact@gmail.com) to find out when and where they will be working. The more we pool our efforts, the clearer our verges can be!



*Proud of our past. Energised for our future.*

## Consultation - New Conservation Area

Join us in Millom on February 1 to discuss the proposal of a new conservation area. A public meeting will be held at Millom Guide Hut, 4pm - 5pm, as part of a consultation to protect the land and buildings around Millom Castle and Holy Trinity Church.

In addition to the new conservation area proposal, we're asking for feedback on the current Millom Town Conservation Area to inform a new management plan.

Find out more at <https://www.copeland.gov.uk/node/50107>

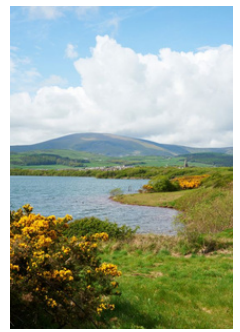
Read the draft consultation document at

[https://www.copeland.gov.uk/.../millom\\_castle\\_ca...](https://www.copeland.gov.uk/.../millom_castle_ca...)

Please note the public consultation will not open for feedback until February 1.



# Coastal running festival launched - Run The Edge



A MULTI-TERRAIN running festival will be held on Copeland's coast in May, as part of the Connecting Cumbria's Hidden Coast programme.

Run The Edge – organised by the Millom Striders running club on behalf of Copeland Borough Council - will take place around the breathtaking Duddon Estuary area on Sunday, May 21.

It will welcome competitors to two routes that take in the picturesque coastline, plus as a family fun run and other activities.

Copeland's Elected Mayor, Mike Starkie, said: "This event will spotlight our amazing coastline as a unique destination for anyone who loves the outdoors.

"The adventure economy is a key part of the visitor industry - it's something we want to support and help businesses make the most of. This coast is a hidden gem and I'm delighted we've attracted funding for events like this - it benefits locals but also showcases the area to the rest of the UK and beyond. It supports jobs and businesses and promotes healthy activity – I hope people come from far and wide to take part."

The Run The Edge event will include:

- An 11.4km (seven-mile) race for people aged 16+, starting at 11am. This will start at The Ski Bar and run alongside the sea before heading around Millom, then back to the coast at Hodbarrow RSPB nature reserve and back to the start point.
- A largely coastal 5.1km (three-mile) race for anyone aged over 12 years. This will also start at 11am, and begin and end at The Ski Bar.
- A 1km (0.6-mile) family-friendly fun run.

Both race routes will be signposted and include km markers. A safe storage area will be available along with various refreshments, and there will be a water station on the longer route.

Pre-booked entry to each of the two main events costs £16, or £14 for affiliated athletes. Entry on the day is £16 for everyone. Competitors will receive a T-shirt, medal, neck warmer and eco-friendly water bottle on completion. Entry to the fun run costs £2 and participants will receive a goodie bag. Entries to the fun run will only be taken on the day.

Andrew Rigg, Chairman of the Millom Striders, said: "Both events will take in scenic views of the Duddon Estuary (an SSSI site) and of the Lake District's southern fells towards Black Combe, White Combe, Conistown Old Man and Scafell Pike. Both events will be chip-timed and will, in the main, follow the Cumbria Coastal path.

Gary McKeating, Head of Development and Community at Sellafield Ltd, said: "As a keen runner myself I look forward to showcasing our stunning coastline to a wide variety of visitors and residents. Adventure tourism is an important part of our future economy and we hope that local businesses get involved and benefit from what will be a fantastic festival."

The event is part of the Connecting Cumbria's Hidden Coast programme, which is led by Copeland Borough Council and funded with £1.15m from Sellafield Ltd and more than £1m from the government's Coastal Communities Fund. It aims to inspire visitors to Copeland's coast, promote health and wellbeing and raise awareness of the area in the rest of the UK. As well as the coastal running festival, it includes a new beach cafe at Silecroft, several new cycle and footpath routes and an extensive arts programme, Deep Time.

To sign up for the Run The Edge event, visit <https://www.runbritain.com/entries/EnterRace.aspx>

# FOULSHAW MOSS

## OSPREYS



**Cumbria**  
Wildlife Trust



**FRIDAY 10 FEBRUARY, 7.30PM**  
**THWAITES VILLAGE HALL**

For nine years running a pair of ospreys has travelled from Africa to Foulshaw where they have successfully raised 24 chicks since 2014. Learn more about these majestic birds and the opportunities to view them from CWT reserves officer Paul Waterhouse.

Admission: £3 suggested donation, including tea/coffee and biscuits

**ALL WELCOME**